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A MESSAGE FROM...

THE PRESIDENT

I am excited that the winter sports season has begun. Our student athletes have worked hard to prepare themselves for success both on and off the court. Our coaches are bringing their energy, professionalism, and commitment to the overall growth and development of their student athletes.

I am most grateful for the support and encouragement our families offer. Your athletes wouldn't be here competing at this level without your support over the many years of their athletic career. I know the hours you've spent taking them to practice, watching their competition, encouraging them when they're down and celebrating when they succeed. Your presence now means more than you can imagine. They might not say it often enough; but I know they are grateful that you are there and have been there throughout their athletic careers.

Together, we are all a team committed to their success.

At Avila, athletes are challenged not just to be highly skilled and competitive in their sports, not just to succeed in the classroom, but also to develop themselves as fine individuals prepared to make a significant contribution to their community and their world. Avila scholar-athletes learn valuable skills of teamwork and self-discipline. These skills and experiences prepare them to be inspired leaders who can go out into the world and be individuals of significant influence.

And so, I thank our athletes for the sacrifices they make, the commitment they display, and for being such great ambassadors of Avila University.

I join the entire campus community in wishing our players great success during the 2012/13 season.

Sincerely,

Ronald A. Slepitza, Ph.D.
President

A MESSAGE FROM THE...

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Welcome to Avila University Athletics!

Thank you for your interest in our school and its intercollegiate athletic program.

Athletics history at Avila dates back to 1974 with an intercollegiate men's basketball program. Currently, Avila athletics has 14 highly competitive sports teams for both men and women.

In time, it is our goal to become one of the premier NAIA programs in the country and best in the Kansas City area. We also challenge our student-athletes academically and athletically so that they may be successful in their future endeavors. With a program based on integrity and excellence, this athletic department is dedicated and committed to providing our student-athletes with the best college experience in the nation.

We sponsor and support a variety of co-curricular activities for our students that include men's baseball, basketball, football, golf, soccer and cross country. On the women's side, we sponsor basketball, golf, soccer, softball, volleyball and cross country. In addition to these sports, we sponsor and support a competitive dance team and cheer squad.

Avila is proud of its long-term relationship with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics ("NAIA"). Founded in 1952, the NAIA is the governing body for small colleges and university athletics. The NAIA has more than 60,000 student-athletes participating in over 250 member colleges and universities through the United States.

Thank you for your interest in Avila Athletics and I look forward to seeing you at many more events this year. GO EAGLES!

Sincerely,

Gary Gallup
Director of Athletics & Recreation

2012·13 Avila Winter Sports | schedules

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

ATE	DAY	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
		N O V E M B E R 2 0 1 2		
11-3	**SAT**	**PARK UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
11-6	**TUE**	**ROCKHURST UNIVERSITY (EXH)**	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
11-10	**SAT**	**COLUMBIA COLLEGE**	**HOME**	**5:00PM**
11-13	Tue	William Woods University	Away	5:30pm
11-16	Fri	Oklahoma Baptist Classic (Freed-Hardeman)	Away	4:00pm
11-17	Sat	Oklahoma Baptist Classic (Oklahoma Baptist)	Away	3:00pm
11-20	**TUE**	**OTTAWA UNIVERSITY**	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
11-23	Fri	Missouri Southern Classic (exh)	Away	TBA
11-24	Sat	Missouri Southern Classic (exh)	Away	TBA
11-29	**THUR**	**BAKER UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
		D E C E M B E R 2 0 1 2		
12-1	Sat	Culver Stockton College*	Away	2:00pm
12-8	**SAT**	**GRACELAND UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
12-28	Fri	Morningside Classic/Briar Cliff	Away	1:00pm
12-29	Sat	Morningside Classic/Morningside	Away	5:30pm
		J A N U A R Y 2 0 1 3		
1-3	**THUR**	**MID-AMERICA NAZARENE***	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
1-5	Sat	Central Methodist University*	Away	2:00pm
1-10	Thur	Evangel University*	Away	5:30pm
1-12	**SAT**	**PERU STATE COLLEGE***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
1-17	Thur	Missouri Valley College*	Away	5:30pm
1-19	**SAT**	**BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
1-24	Thur	Baker University*	Away	5:30pm
1-26	**SAT**	**CULVER STOCKTON COLLEGE***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
1-29	Tue	Rockhurst University	Away	6:00pm
		F E B R U A R Y 2 0 1 3		
2-2	Sat	Graceland University*	Away	2:00pm
2-7	Thur	Mid-America Nazarene	Away	5:30pm
2-9	**SAT**	**CENTRAL METHODIST UNIV***	**HOME**	**2:00PM**
2-14	**THUR**	**EVANGEL UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
2-16	Sat	Peru State College*	Away	2:00pm
2-21	**THUR**	**MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE***	**HOME**	**5:30PM**
2-23	Sat	Benedictine University*	Away	2:00pm
2-27/3-5		HAAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
		M A R C H 2 0 1 3		
3-13/3-19		NAIA D-1 Women's National Tournament	Frankfort, KY	TBA

NOTE: ALL CAPS INDICATES HOME GAME. *Heart of America Athletic Conference Games

MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
		N O V E M B E R 2 0 1 2		
11/06	**TUES.**	**FRIENDS UNIVERSITY**	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
11/10	**SAT.**	**COLUMBIA COLLEGE**	**HOME**	**7:00PM**
11/13	Tues.	William Woods	Fulton, MO	7:30pm
11/16	Fri.	Missouri Southern St	Joplin, MO	2:00pm
11/17	Sat.	Pittsburgh St	Joplin, MO	5:00pm
11/20	**TUES.**	**ROGERS STATE**	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
11/23	Fri.	Rockhurst University	Kansas City, MO	4:00pm
11/24	Sat.	Park University*	Kansas City, MO	2:00pm
11/29	**THURS.**	**BAKER UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
		D E C E M B E R 2 0 1 2		
12/01	Sat.	Culver Stockton*	Canton, MO	4:00pm
12/04	Tues.	Rogers State	Claremore, OK	7:00pm
12/08	**SAT.**	**GRACELAND UNIV***	**HOME**	**4:00PM**
12/31	Mon.	Tabor College	Hillsboro, KS	3:00pm
		J A N U A R Y 2 0 1 3		
01/03	**THURS.**	**MIDAMERICA NAZ**	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
01/05	Sat.	Central Methodist*	Fayette, MO	4:00pm
01/10	Thurs.	Evangel University*	Springfield, MO	7:30pm
01/12	**SAT.**	**PERU ST UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**4:00PM**
01/17	Thurs.	Missouri Valley*	Marshall, MO	7:30pm
01/19	**SAT.**	**BENEDICTINE***	**HOME**	**4:00PM**
01/24	Thurs.	Baker University*	Baldwin City, KS	7:30pm
01/26	**SAT.**	**CULVER STOCKTON***	**HOME**	**4:00PM**
		F E B R U A R Y 2 0 1 3		
02/02	Sat.	Graceland Lamoni*	Iowa	4:00pm
02/07	Thurs.	MidAmerica Naz*	Olathe, KS	7:30pm
02/09	**SAT.**	**CENTRAL METHODIST***	**HOME**	**4:00PM**
02/14	**THURS.**	**EVANGEL UNIVERSITY***	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
02/16	Sat.	Peru St University*	Peru, Neb	4:00pm
02/21	**THURS.**	**MISSOURI VALLEY***	**HOME**	**7:30PM**
02/23	Sat.	Benedictine*	Atchison, KS	4:00pm

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LADY EAGLES HOPE TO "ELEVATE" AN ALREADY HIGH BAR THIS SEASON

Kansas City, MO - Avila University women's basketball coach Larry Williams always likes to come up with a motivational theme to each season. He usually solicits suggestions from his senior players, but more often than not, chooses the theme himself.

For the 2012-13 season, fresh off back-to-back appearances in the NAIA Division I national tournament, Williams opted for something short and sweet.

Elevate.

The message is simple. The bar has been set extremely high these past two seasons. But, this is no time to rest on laurels. Despite the loss of perhaps the best defensive player in the nation the last two seasons, Williams believes there is potential for this season's Eagles to achieve even greater success.

"Elevate means that every player needs to help absorb stats we lost from all of our seniors last season," Williams said. "We've never replaced players one for one. This team buys into the team part of, here's what I have to do. It's been a great group to work with in that regard.
"We're relatively young. There's a lot of pressure on the returnees. They've experienced success. Now, they want to show everyone that they can do it again."

The Eagles, who advanced to the sweet 16 in the NAIA national tournament last season, were picked to finish second in a pre-season poll of the coaches in the Heart of America Athletic Conference and were 20th in the pre-season NAIA poll. But if they're to duplicate that success, they're going to have to figure out how to make up for the loss of seniors Torie Murillo, two-time conference defensive player of the year, and Brittany Townsend, the team's leading scorer last season.

This season's squad promises to revolve around the return of inside powerhouses Cassie Bruner, a six-foot senior from Overland Park, Kan., and Rebekah Capeder, a six-foot sophomore from Trenton, Mo. Capeder averaged 11 points and 7.3 rebounds, while Bruner averaged 9.2 and 8.3, the latter leading the team.

"That's our strength," Williams said. "But other teams know that and will be trying to stop them. That should put us on the free throw line plenty. Hopefully, we'll be better from there this season."

On the perimeter, Courtney Gimlin returns for her senior season hopeful to return to the form of her sophomore campaign, when she averaged 13 points. Samantha York, a junior from Elsberry, Mo., is another three-point threat and enters the season the healthiest she's been in three years, Williams said.

Jackie Wacha, a 5-6 sophomore from Ozark, Mo., will be looked upon to take over point guard duties that Murillo so capably handled the past couple of seasons.

Another returner, junior Arianne Henry, has the best work ethic on the team, Williams said. Junior Kendra Crow, another six-footer, is ready to play after sitting out last season with a back injury and should provide another threat inside. Same with Stephanie Miller, a six-foot junior from Overland Park, Kan., who tore an ACL in a knee last year. Michaela Brinkley, a sophomore transfer from William Woods, is a strong combo guard.

Williams has five new freshmen, all of whom are capable of pushing the top eight or nine players in practice and could see some game time – Jessica Smith, Jordan Farmer, Kelsey McConnell, Anna Curtis and Haley Padgett.

Williams said the Eagles' schedule for 2012-13 is the toughest it's ever been. Early games include Park, Rockhurst, Columbia (Mo.) College, William Woods (Mo.), Oklahoma Baptist and Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.), which the Eagles upset in the first round of the national tournament last March.

"It's going to be very demanding up through Christmas," Williams said. "One thing is for sure ... it's going to be interesting."

Williams said he already saw a lot of similarities between this team and the ones that have experienced past success.

"This season's team is no exception from our past teams in regard to work ethic, unselfishness and commitment to success," he said. "I'm looking forward to the new adventure."

LARRY WILLIAMS, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

Larry Williams begins his 7th season at the helm for the women's basketball team. This past season the Eagle's once again made history as they made the NAIA Women's Basketball National Tournament for the second consecutive year and defeated third rank Freed-Hardeman (TN) and made it to the round of sixteen.

In the 2011-12 season, the Eagles claimed the HAAC conference tournament title and qualifying for the NAIA national tournament for the first time in history.

His overall record is 120-72 and in his six years has brought the program from the bottom of the conference to the top.

His teams are known for their strong team play, disciplined attack, strong defense and determination of never quitting. Although winning is important on the court, he is more proud of the achievement in the classroom by his players. They have won the "Geer Cup" that goes to the athletic team with the highest GPA four out of the last six years with a current team GPA of 3.34.

He is a 1965 graduate of Windsor High School, Windsor, MO and played college basketball at Highland Junior College (1965-67) and Central Missouri (1967-69) where he was captain his senior year.

Coach Williams is a Vietnam Vet, serving in the Army from 1970-72. After serving his duty, he returned back to CMU and received his BSE and BSM.

Coach Williams retired from education and is now a full time employee of Avila University. His wife, Patty of 37 years recently retired as an elementary counselor in the Independence School District. Larry and Patty have two daughters: Lindsay, her husband Rick, and son Kaden and daughter Decklan of Russellville, MO and Morgan, her husband Andy, and sons Maddux, Tucker, Hudson and daughter Finlee of Blue Springs, MO.

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2012•13 Avila Women's Basketball | roster

#	NAME	YR	POS	HT	HOMETOWN
5	Jackie Wacha	SO	Gd	5'6"	Ozark, MO
10	Kelsey McConnell	FR	Gd	5'8"	Kansas City, MO
11	Anna Curtis	FR	Gd	5'6"	Cameron, MO
13	Cassie Bruner	SR	Fwd	6'0"	Overland Park, KS
14	Rebekah Capeder	SO	Fwd	6'0"	Trenton, MO
15	Jordan Farmer	FR	Gd	5'7"	Clever, MO
22	Michaela Brinkley	SO	Gd	5'7"	Trimble, MO
23	Courtney Gimlin	SR	Gd	5'6"	Ozark, MO
24	Jessica Smith	FR	Gd	5'7"	Verona, MO
25	Arianne Henry	JR	Fwd	5'10"	Humansville, MO
31	Haley Padgett	FR	Post	5'10"	Richmond, MO
32	Samantha York	JR	Gd	5'9"	Elsberry, MO
33	Stephanie Miller	JR	Post	6'1"	Overland Park, KS
42	Kendra Crow	JR	Post	6'0"	Wichita, KS

5 Jackie Wacha
So Guard 5'6
Ozark, Mo

10 Kelsey McConnell
Fr Guard 5'8"
Kansas City, Mo

11 Anna Curtis
Fr Guard 5'6
Cameron, Mo

13 Cassie Bruner
Sr Forward 6'0
Overland Park, Ks

14 Rebekah Capeder
So Forward 6'0"
Trenton, Mo

15 Jordan Farmer
Fr Guard 5'7
Clever, Mo

22 Michaela Brinkley
So Guard 5'7
Trimble, Mo

23 Courtney Gimlin
Sr Guard 5'6
Ozark, Mo

24 Jessica Smith
Fr Guard 5'7
Verona, Mo

25 Arianne Henry
Jr Forward 5'10
Humansville, Mo

31 Haley Padgett
Fr Post 5'10
Richmond, Mo

32 Samantha York
Jr Guard 5'9
Elsberry, Mo

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2011/12 STATISTICS

#	Name	GP	GS	MIN	AVG	TOTAL FG	TOTAL FGA	TOTAL PCT	3-PT FT	3-PT FTA	3-PT PCT	F-T FG	F-T FGA	F-T PCT	REBOUNDS OFF	REBOUNDS OEF	REBOUNDS TOT	REBOUNDS R/G	PF	A	TO	BLK	ST	PTS	P/G
30	Townsend	32	888	26.9	138	392	0.352	85	266	0.320	28	33	0.848		8	73	81	2.5	72	44	67	16	23	389	11.8
22	Murillo	31	31	1055	34.0	115	268	0.429	15	54	0.278	119	152	0.783	51	174	225	7.3	87	181	151	23	132	364	11.7
23	Gimlin, C	31	925	28.9	115	346	0.332	67	225	0.298	64	95	0.674		36	69	105	3.3	59	64	69	1	25	361	11.3
14	Capeder	33	1023	31.0	130	267	0.487	3	23	0.130	98	184	0.533		113	129	242	7.3	82	15	52	23	23	361	10.9
13	Bruner, C	29	993	30.1	104	223	0.466	0	0	0.000	97	144	0.674		131	144	275	8.3	65	21	75	19	36	305	9.2
32	York, Sam	2	424	13.7	31	103	0.301	27	81	0.333	24	28	0.857		7	31	38	1.2	25	19	27	2	11	113	3.6
12	Grider, L	1	302	13.1	19	45	0.422	3	18	0.167	21	27	0.778		8	40	48	2.1	46	4	32	0	7	62	2.7
5	Wacha, Ja	5	547	17.1	25	99	0.253	3	27	0.111	28	36	0.778		28	48	76	2.4	52	51	49	1	24	81	2.5
35	Miller, S	0	239	10.4	17	49	0.347	0	0	0.000	21	35	0.600		12	33	45	2.0	46	1	25	6	7	55	2.4
21	Latimer	0	119	6.3	5	17	0.294	0	0	0.000	15	30	0.500		8	8	16	0.8	22	5	12	0	4	25	1.3
25	Henry, Ar	0	59	4.9	2	8	0.250	1	6	0.167	0	4	0.000		2	4	6	0.5	9	0	4	0	0	5	0.4
	TEAM														37	75	112			27					
	Totals	6579				701	1817	0.386	204	700	0.291	515	768	0.671	441	828	1269	38.5	565	405	590	91	292	2121	64.3
	Opponents	6650				655	1804	0.363	173	653	0.265	469	668	0.702	375	745	1120	33.9	639	324	547	83	264	1952	59.2

33 Stephanie Miller
Jr Center 6'1
Overland Park, Ks

42 Kendra Crow
Jr Post 6'0
Wichita, Ks

STAYING HEALTHY WILL BE KEY FOR EAGLES MEN IN 2012-13

Outwardly, Avila University men's basketball coach Rodney Perry might say his 2012-13 Eagles were perhaps given too much credit when they were ranked fifth in a pre-season poll by the Heart of America Athletic Conference's coaches. But that sly grin and a twinkle in the eye suggests otherwise. Deep down, Perry thinks his top-line talent this season is capable of competing against any team in the league.

It's the depth in that talent pool that has Perry concerned.

"The only scary thing to me about this team is, we have to stay healthy," said Perry, who's getting ready for his third full season as Eagles head coach. "If we stay healthy, we should be pretty good."

The Eagles are faced with replacing four significant contributors to a team that last season finished 18-12 overall, 11-7 in conference play, including first-team all-HAAC selection Kevin Booker and Austin Stockard, who was honorable mention all-conference. But, a good place to start building a strong starting five is with Curtis Churchman, a 5-foot-7 point guard from St. Louis who last season was the HAAC's freshman of the year and defensive player of the year.

Adding some size to the lineup will be Louis Lowe, a 6-8, 240-pound senior from Oakland, Calif. who averaged 12-14 minutes per game last season.

A pair of returning players who didn't see a lot of time last season but should add depth at guard are Lance Miller, a 6-3 senior shooting guard from Farmington, Mo. and Brandon Murillo, a 6-2 sophomore from Lee's Summit, Mo.

"Neither played a lot last year, but they're expected to step up this year," Perry said.

The role of replacing the 6-5 Booker, who averaged 11 points and eight rebounds last season, will probably fall to 6-4 senior Brandon Redmond, who tore an anterior cruciate ligament just before the start of the season last season.

"We're expecting him to be a major contributor," Perry said. "He's the same type of player as Booker."

Max Chapman, a 6-9 junior-college transfer from Joliet, Ill., will battle for the starting spot at center. Zach Smith, a 6-5 senior from Verona, Mo. who averaged 13 points last season, is back but won't play until next semester.

The jewel of this year's recruiting class might be Sedrick Johnson, a 6-1 guard who led his Tulsa Union High School team to an Oklahoma 6A state championship last season. Johnson was named MVP of the state tournament and in the championship game.

"I'm expecting him to come in and do the same things Curtis did last year as a freshman," said Perry, who added that Johnson can play either at point or shooting guard.

Perry hopes it all adds up to an up-tempo team that relies heavily on defense to create turnovers and, ultimately, easy transition baskets at the other end of the floor.

"We have more perimeter players who are slasher types instead of true perimeter players," he said. "Right now, I feel very good about this group. They're very hard-working. Everybody gets along. It's a good mixture of veteran guys and new blood. Night-in, night-out, they're going to play as hard as they can possibly play."

The Eagles open their season Nov. 6 at home against Friends University and then host ranked Columbia College Nov. 10. They also play a home-and-home series against Rogers State out of Claremore, Okla., which advanced to the quarterfinals of the NAIA Division I national tournament last season, and play NCAA Division II opponents Missouri Southern, Pittsburg State and Rockhurst.

"We have a great schedule," Perry said. "We'll be battle-tested early, that's for sure."

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RODNEY PERRY, MEN'S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

Rodney Perry enteres his third year head coach for the Eagles Men's Basketball program. This past season was one for the history books as the Eagles broke several records including:

- 11 HAAC Wins – Most in 8 years
- 18 Total Wins – Most in 10 years
- Home Win vs. Evangel – First time since joining the HAAC in 2000 – '01
- Snapped 13 game losing streak to Evangel
- Road Win vs. Benedictine – First time since 2001- '02
- Snapped 10 game losing streak to Benedictine
- Home Win vs. Benedictine – First season sweep of Benedictine in 10 years
- Road Win vs. Culver-Stockton – First time since 2003 – '04 season
- Season Sweep of Missouri Valley – First time since 2001 – '02 season
- Fourth place finish in HAAC regular season play the highest finish in 8 years
- First Back to Back HAAC tournament appearances since 2003-'04

The Eagles also hosted the first home playoff game in over ten years this past season. Perry has an overall record of 30-30 and is 19-20 in HAAC contests.

Coach Perry comes to the Avila Eagles with a fine reputation as a winner and teacher of the game. He graduated from high school at Fort Smith Northside in Fort Smith, Arkansas where he earned all state and all conference accolades.

He played 2 years at the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith before transferring to Missouri State University where he helped the Bears to a pair of post season appearances. In 1992, he was part of Coach Charlie Spoonhour's 23-8 NCAA Tournament Team. In 1993, he served as captain for a team that posted a 20-11 mark and advanced to the quarter final of the NIT.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education. He began his coaching career in 1994 as an assistant in the Missouri high school system. He coached at Willard High School and Springfield Central High School before jumping to the collegiate ranks. He has coached Division I college basketball at Duquesne University under Danny Nee and Western Illinois University and has also coached at Southwest Baptist University.

Perry was named national AAU Coach of the Year after leading his team to the 1995 AAU National Championship and was selected as a coach for the USA Men's West Team competing at the 2012 Nike Global Challenge Basketball Tournament in Washington D.C . Coach Perry and his family reside in the Kansas City area.

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2010/11 STATISTICS					TOTAL			3-PT			F-T			REBOUNDS											
# Name	GP	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	R/G	PF	A	TO	BLK	ST	PTS	P/G
25 Smith, Za	30	26	775	25.8	170	318	0.535	3	15	0.200	60	101	0.594	55	103	158	5.3	102	53	48	10	34	403	13.4
24 Booker, K	29	24	763	26.3	122	271	0.450	7	15	0.467	79	134	0.590	79	166	245	8.4	93	53	83	15	44	330	11.4
32 Stockard,	30	24	777	25.9	111	282	0.394	67	185	0.362	29	40	0.725	67	51	118	3.9	81	17	31	5	31	318	10.6
5 Phelps, K	30	28	710	23.7	89	249	0.357	31	115	0.270	64	81	0.790	16	57	73	2.4	81	78	68	9	39	273	9.1
11 Churchman	28	27	911	32.5	90	229	0.393	10	42	0.238	52	78	0.667	35	57	92	3.3	76	116	71	0	98	242	8.6
12 Dierkes,	30	4	317	10.6	48	137	0.350	32	108	0.296	25	35	0.714	10	38	48	1.6	18	12	19	1	7	153	5.1
3 Bracken,	7	0	82	11.7	11	30	0.367	4	10	0.400	5	11	0.455	4	7	11	1.6	6	11	4	0	4	31	4.4
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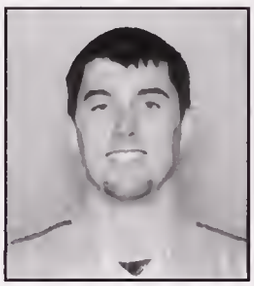
2012•13 Avila Men's Basketball | roster

#	NAME	YR.	POS.	HEIGHT	HOMETOWN
3	Sedrick Johnson	FR	Gd	6-1	Tulsa, OK
4	Lance Miller	SR	Gd	6-3	Farmington, MO
5	Justin Reed	SR	Gd	6-2	Indianapolis, IN
11	Curtis Churchman	SO	Gd	5-7	St. Louis, MO
12	Brandon Redmond	SR	Gd	6-4	Joliet, IL
14	Deron Toliver	FR	Gd	5-10	Kansas City, MO
15	Max Chapman	JR	Fwd	6-9	Blair, NE
20	John Mosley	FR	Fwd	6-5	Gary, IN
22	Keith Taylor	SO	Fwd	6-6	Beverly Hills, CA
23	Terry Fairlee	JR	Gd	6-2	St. Louis, MO
24	Sam Everson	FR	Gd	6-2	Madison, WI
25	Zach Smith	SR	Fwd	6-5	Verona, MO
32	Justin Henderson	JR	Gd	6-0	Kansas City, MO
34	Louis Lowe	SR	Fwd	6-8	Oakland, CA
42	Tomislav Lubenjak	SO	Fwd	6-8	Croatia
44	Brandon Murillo	SO	Gd	6-2	Lee Summit, MO
45	Bryce Raney	JR	Fwd	6-3	Hillsboro, OH
50	Jordan Jensen	FR	Fwd	6-4	Nixa, MO

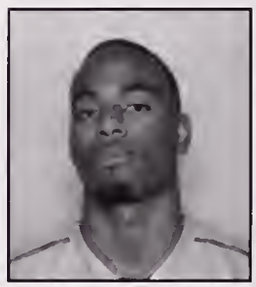
3 Sedrick Johnson
FR Gd 6'1"
Tulsa, OK



4 Lance Miller
SR Gd 6'3"
Farmington, MO

5 Justin Reed
SR Gd 6'2"
Indianapolis, IN

11 Curtis Churchman
SO Gd 5'7"
St.Louis, MO



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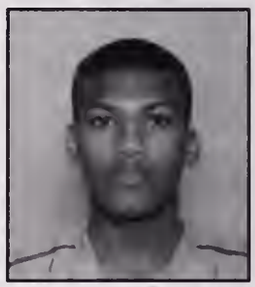
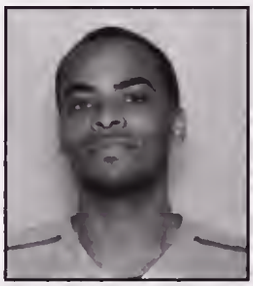
Joliet, IL



14 Deron Toliver
FR Gd 5'10"
Kansas City, MO

15 Max Chapman
JR Fwd 6'9"
Blair, NE

20 John Mosley
FR Fwd 6'5"
Gary, IN



22 Keith Taylor
SO Fwd 6'6"
Beverly Hills, CA

23 Terry Fairlee
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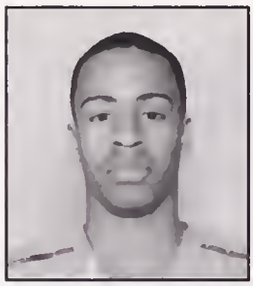
St. Louis, MO

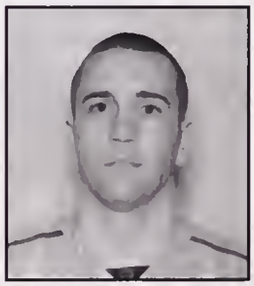
24 Sam Everson
SR Fwd 6'2"
Madison, WI

25 Zach Smith
SR Fwd 6'5"
Verona, MO



32 Justin Henderson
JR Gd 6'0"
Kansas City, MO

34 Louis Lowe
SR Fwd 6'8"
Oakland, CA



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SO Fwd 6'8"
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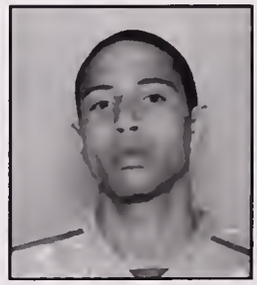

45 Bryce Raney
JR Fwd 6'3"
Hillsboro, OH

50 Jordan Jensen
FR Fwd 6'4"
Nixa, MO

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Megan Linder
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Bre Evans
Senior
Poway, CA

Natalie Bristow
Junior
Kansas City, MO

Sarah Rubin
Sophomore
Overland Park KS

Paige Snyder
Senior
Kearney, MO

Gabby Sysavath
Sophomore
Lee's Summit, MO

Shawnalee Criss
Sophomore
Topeka, KS

Jackie Jimenez
Freshman
Liberty, MO

Kaylen Peltier
Junior
Kansas City, MO

Shakaila Wright
Sophomore
Independence, MO

Morgan Brucks
Junior
Glasgow, MO

Erin Lundquist
Freshman
Camdenton, MO

Kristen Raney
Freshman
Camdenton, MO

Dessie Sprouse
Freshman
Columbia, MO

Amyliah Smith
Freshman
Independence, MO

Lacey Dalton
Freshman
Creighton, MO

Jessica Lomaglio
Freshman
Lee's Summit, MO

Jessica Roszell
Freshman
Independence, MO

Kelsey Kattau
Sophomore
Louisburg, KS

Aimee Adams
Junior
Blue Springs, MO

Courtney Morgan
Junior
Raymore, MO

Gina Scaletty
Freshman
Blue Springs, MO

Erica Bales
Freshman
Independence, MO

Shelby Fletcher
Junior
Blue Springs, MO

Anna Roberts
Freshman
Grain Valley, MO

Sequoia Rose
Senior
Lebanon, MO

Courtney Hansen
Freshman
Overland Park, KS

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MELISSA SHIPMAN, CHEER COACH

Melissa Shipman is the Head Coach for Avila University's All-Girl Cheer program. This will be her 5th year as a coach. Her experience in high school and college cheerleading has given her the ability to recruit talented young women into this incredibly successful program.

During her career here at Avila, the team has accomplished many goals and received nationally acclaimed awards. Every year, the team competes at UCA/UDA College National Championships, and have finished in the top 10 in the very competitive All-Girl Division II. Most recently, Avila placed 4th in their division in 2012, and heads into this year's competition with strong hopes of a higher finish.

Avila's Cheer Team has taken great pride in being involved in the community and outreach in the Kansas City area. They are the official cheerleaders for Bikers for Babies, and participate in several other programs such as March of Dimes, Light the Night Cancer Walk, and many more. The student-athletes are great role-models, and enjoy being able to get to know the various communities of Kansas City.

Melissa is very excited for the upcoming year, and believes this team will be the strongest cheer team to come through Avila. Melissa's goal is to help these young women to grow not only into successful athletes, but successful graduates that are prepared to go out into the real world and achieve great things. She looks to recruit strong students, with the talent and ambition to take themselves and their team to new heights. Melissa has been happily married to her husband, Andy, for 6 years, and has a beautiful baby girl named Mallory.

CINDY FREEMAN, DANCE COACH

Cindy Freeman is the founder and Head Coach of the Avila University Dance Team. Freeman has worked in the Athletic Department in a variety of capacities for the past 17 years. Her role in the department includes her current responsibilities of managing the athletic website and providing game management for the softball program. Freeman founded the dance team in 2000. Aided by her many years of involvement with dance, she has been able to recruit well trained dancers to participate in her program.

With these dancers she took her team to the UCA/UDA College Nationals Dance Championship where they finished 7th place in the nation as a first year team. In 2001-2002, the Glitter Girls second year of existence, they returned with a 2nd place finish from College Nationals. The team was on ESPN a number of times as a result of the 2nd place finish. In 2002-2003 and 2007-2008, the team won the Heart of America Conference Spirit Squad Championship. Coach Freeman was also recognized as the Heart of America Conference Spirit Squad Coach of the Year. During the 2004-2005 season the dance team placed 3rd in the jazz division and came home with a NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP in the Hip-Hop Division at the Collegiate National Championships. The team was seen on ESPN and ESPN 2 multiple times. The Glitter Girls brought home bronze medals with 3rd place finishes in the open hip-hop divisions at the 2008-2009 & 2009-2010 UDA Collegiate Championships. The Avila Dance team has finished in the top ten each year they have competed at the collegiate national championships.

Coach Freeman w's work at Avila University has not gone unnoticed as she was selected to serve as a judge for the 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011 UDA High School National Championships. In 2007 she was also invited to serve on the judging panel for UPA at their national competition in Minneapolis, MN.

The Avila University Dance Team was featured in an article in Dance Teacher Magazine in June 2004. The article was a profile on how to start a new and successful collegiate dance program.

Freeman's objective as a coach is to recruit not only talented dancers, but quality students into her program. Freeman's goal is for every dancer she coaches to feel that they have been a part of something special when they leave Avila University. Freeman is married to Steve Freeman and has two children, Mandy, a former dance team member and coach at Avila and Brad, both graduates of Avila University.

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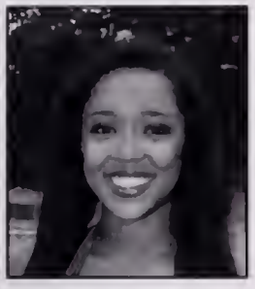
Kristen Brown
Sophomore
Blue Springs, MO

Morghan Cooper
Junior
Raymore, MO

Stephanie Fredrick
Junior
Lee's Summit, MO

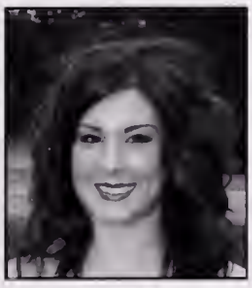
Brianna Gilmour
Junior
Overland Park, KS

Morghan Hopper
Sophomore
Kansas City, MO



Ashley Jackson
Freshman
Kansas City, MO

Hayley Keith
Junior
Peculiar, MO



Madalyn Meeker
Junior
Lenexa, KS

Alex Miller
Sophomore
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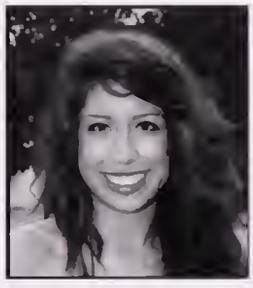
Keiana Moyer
Junior
Kansas City, KS



Jennifer Quezada
Freshman
Overland Park, KS

Abigail Rice
Freshman
Belton, MO

Kristen Riddle
Junior
Independence, MO

Kaleigh Sheridan
Sophomore
Peculiar, MO

Rosemary Virgoni
Junior
Olathe, KS

Kortney Ward
Sophomore
Nampa, ID

Kori Weatherspoon
Sophomore
Kansas City, MO

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Servicing more than 350 athletes in 14 sports, the Avila University Sports Medicine staff provides pre-event preventative taping and bracing, on-the-field evaluation and emergency care, appropriate physician referral and necessary follow-up rehabilitation. The athletic training facility is located inside the Mabee Field House on the lower level.

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Brett Koziczkowski - Sports Information Director is starting his second year as Sports Information Director at Avila University. Koziczkowski served as the website manager and student assistant to the SID at Lambuth University while completing his undergrad work. Brett is also an assistant soccer coach to both the men's and women's teams here at Avila and is taking courses towards a Master's degree in Fundraising.

Dr. Fred Geer - Faculty Athletic Representative is Avila's specialist in educational and psychological assessment. He has worked as a school psychologist and consultant for area school districts and as a resource specialist for North Central accreditation. He teaches a variety of graduate and undergraduate course and serves as the academic advisor for the special education majors. Dr. Geer regularly supervises student teachers. He also is the faculty athletics representative.

Doris Frede - School of Business Assistant Professor currently teaches accounting courses at Avila. She is coordinator of undergraduate business advising, meeting all prospective business students, explaining curricular requirements, and serving as academic advisor for all first year business students. She assists Dr. Fred Geer as associate faculty athletic representative.

JoAnn Immele - Administrative Assistant enters her tenth year in the athletic department and eighteenth year at Avila University. JoAnn assists with all the administrative functions of the department, coordinates the annual Girl Scout Sports Sampler program and is a valuable resource to Eagle athletics and coaches. In May 2000, she received Avila's Medal of Honor. Away from Avila, Immele is active in the historical preservation and rejuvenation of the original town of Grandview, MO. For her efforts, the city bestowed their "Citizen of the Year" award on her in July 2007. She also has received special recognition from the Girl Scouts for her work as a leader and has volunteered her time in other community endeavors such as local sports and school activities. JoAnn and her husband Chris reside in Grandview.

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For example, Avila was one of the first colleges in the Kansas City area to offer programs in nursing, gerontology and social work. We are one of around 30 colleges and universities in the entire country that offers a four-year degree in radiologic technology. We also offer the only accredited bachelor's degree in social work in the Kansas City area.

Come visit the campus at 119th and Wornall Road in suburban south Kansas City and discover even more surprises about Avila University!

EAGLES BASKETBALL HOME

Avila University plays its men's and women's home basketball games inside 33-year-old Mabee Fieldhouse. However, the facility barely resembles the one that was built on the southern end of the Avila campus back in 1980. Most recently, new offices for the football program were constructed along one side, and new scoreboards were installed before the start of this season, including a state-of-the-art, pixilated message board that should add excitement and entertainment to those attending Eagles games in 2012-13. The Mabee Fieldhouse can accommodate up to 2,200 spectators.

EAGLES ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

WE INVITE YOU to become a member of the Eagle Athletic Association. Your generous support makes it possible for Avila University student-athletes to excel both in the classroom and in their athletic endeavors. If you choose to do so, 50 percent of your gift can be designated to a specific athletic department program.

We look forward to the growth and development of the Eagle Athletic Association and the Eagle Athletic Department Please contact Gary Gallup, Director of Athletics and Recreation, for more information: 816-501-3634.

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